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SUBJECT: DETENTION OF ASSAD BUCARAM

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- 1. NEWSPAPERS HAVE REPORTED THE ARREST OF ASAAD BUCARAM, LEADER OF THE CONCENTRATION DE FUERZAS POPULARES (CFP CONCENTRATION OF POPULAR FORCES), THE EVENING OF SEPT. 10 IN GUAYAQUIL. FEW DETAILS WERE PROVIDED BUT BUCARAM WAS APPARENTLY ARRESTED BY ARMED SECURITY POLICE AS HE LEFT A FUNCTION AT PARTY HEADQUARTERS.
- 2. ACCORDING TO PRESS ACCOUNTS POLICE ALSO ATTEMPTED TO ARREST CARLOS CORNEJO ORBE (PROMINENT MEMBER OF THE VELASQUISTA PARTY) AT HIS QUITO HOME. CORNEJO, WHO WAS ONE OF THE EARLY SUPPORTERS OF THE UNSUCCESSFUL COUP, IS APPARENTLY STILL IN HIDING.
- 3. COMMENT: THE CFP HAS THE LARGEST AND STRONGEST POPULAR BASE OF THE ECUADOREAN POLITICAL PARTIES.
 ALTHOUGH NO OFFICIAL EXPLANATION HAS FOLLOWED BUCARAM'S ARREST, IT IS LIKELY A RESULT OF A STRONG CRITICISM HE PUBLISHED OF THE RODRIGUEZ GOVERNMENT FOLLOWING THE COUP ATTEMPT. THE EMBASSY HAS NO REASON TO BELIEVE THAT CONFIDENTIAL

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BUCARAM WAS INVOLVED IN COUP PLOTTING.

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